

**Domestic Relations Committee**  
Judicial Conference of Indiana

**Minutes**  
November 19, 2010

The Domestic Relations Committee met at the Indiana Judicial Center from 10:30 a.m. – 2:15 p.m. on Friday, November 19, 2010.

1. Members present. Francis G. Hill, Karen M. Love, Sheryl L. Lynch, Lynn Murray, Nanette K. Raduenz, Frederick A. Schurger, Debbie J. Shook, Richard R. Stalbrink, Dean A. Young, and William C. Fee, Chair, were present.
2. Staff present. Jeffrey Bercovitz provided the committee with staff assistance.
3. Guests present. Lindsey Borschel, and Bob Rath, Division of State Court Administration; and Stuart Showalter, Indiana Custodial Rights Advocates, were also present.
4. Minutes approved. The minutes for the committee on October 22, 2010 were approved by the committee.
5. Paternity affidavit. Jeffrey Bercovitz distributed materials on the paternity affidavit. Bob Rath noted the affidavit requires a social security number from each parent, which has been a statutory requirement for a few years. Jeffrey Bercovitz indicated there is a federal lawsuit pending on the lack of acceptance by the Board of Health of the paternity affidavit when there is no social security number from each parent, but the child is a citizen. Committee members indicated a father or mother could go to the Title IV-D prosecutor's office and have them prepare an agreed judgment of paternity for court approval.
6. ICLEF program. Judge Fee reported he was recently approached by ICLEF on additional training on the new Child Support Rules and Guidelines. Committee members discussed it might be more useful to conduct a conference on a draft of the parenting time guidelines. In addition, members of the committee discussed a session on medical support under the child support guidelines.
7. Distribution of comment. Jeffrey Bercovitz distributed a comment on the parenting time guidelines from Mr. Joseph George to committee members.
8. Parenting Time Guidelines revisions. Members of the committee completed review of suggested revisions from Judge Fee and Judge Love concerning scheduled parenting time to occur as planned. Committee members also discussed the effect of amendments on existing parenting time orders. Mag. Raduenz and Judge Young to discuss these areas at the next meeting: (a) Presume More Time for Noncustodial Parent, (NCP)/Protection of NCP rights /Overnights/ Overnights for Infants and (b) Equal Parenting Time
9. Child Support Calculator.
  - a. Magistrate Raduenz gave a report on her presentation at the Family Court Annual Meeting, and the comments she received about the child support calculator and the amendments suggested to the parenting time guidelines.
  - b. Lindsey Borschel reported the number of "hits" on the website of the child support calculator. She also said she will no longer have a website developer assigned to the Calculator and that JTAC would prioritize our requests with others they receive.

c. Members of the committee prioritized their requests as follows: (1) The addition of a social security disability calculation to all calculators, (2) A quick input calculator for high volume courts, and (3) The development of a separate “income calculator” for the purposes of adding together various sources of income of parents for use in the child support rules and guidelines.

10. Future meeting dates. Committee members agreed to meet again on Friday, January 21, February 18, March 18, May 20, July 15, August 19, and November 18, 2011 from 10:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Judicial Center. They also agreed to meet in conjunction with the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Regional Meeting in Indianapolis on Oct. 27-29, 2011 in Indianapolis.

Respectfully submitted,

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